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Dear Sir:

Applicants wish to cite for the record in the above-identified application the references shown on the accompanying copy of PTO form 1449.

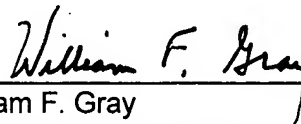
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The information disclosure statement transmitted herewith is being filed **before** the mailing date of the first Office action on the merits.

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Applicants believe that no fees are due with this submission. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may have been overlooked but that are required to Deposit Account 13-3372. Additionally, please credit any overpayment to the same account.

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